

# **HOUSE . . . . . No. 541**

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By Mr. Rush of Boston, petition of Michael F. Rush and Robert S. Hargraves relative to parental notification and consent for certain sexual education programs in the public schools. Education.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

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### **AN ACT RELATIVE TO PARENTAL NOTIFICATION AND CONSENT.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1     Section 32A of Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2     amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place
- 3     thereof the following:—
- 4     Section 32A. Every city, town, regional school district or voca-
- 5     tional school district implementing or maintaining curriculum or
- 6     school sanctioned program or activity which primarily involves
- 7     human sexual education or human sexuality issues shall adopt a
- 8     policy ensuring parental/guardian notification. All such curriculum,
- 9     programs, and activities shall be offered only in clearly identified
- 10    elective or mandatory courses that parents or guardians may choose
- 11    to enroll their children through written notification to the school.